

HANDS OFF EUROPE, URGES PHILA. MAN

Should Wait Till Nations Have Reached Agreement, Henry Baring Hodge Says

U. S. SECRETARY

The United States Government ought to stay out of the present confusing situation in Europe until the nations involved have reached some definite agreement, according to Henry Baring Hodge, who has just returned from Paris, where he was general secretary to the unofficial American delegation at the reparations conference.

Calls Situation Serious

"The whole situation is very, very serious," said Mr. Hodge, in an interview at the Incequet Club. "Unless something is done to prevent Germany from going down the drain, the whole world is liable to be drawn into the abyss. We are living here in an era of false prosperity. It is merely a suspension of buying caused by the cessation of all the reserves. It is absolutely abnormal and is not really the indication of good times."

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His Poincaré's Stand

"Everything today seems to depend on the co-operation of England and France. Premier Bonar Law, of Great Britain, is the dominating figure in the situation. Premier Poincaré, of France, is narrow and has not the breadth of vision. It is up to these two to settle the question of the reparations. Unless something is done by next March, she will be in the throes of starvation, for much of her food is imported."

The United States as a Government

cannot make any more loans to foreign nations, but it can encourage private loans and credits. The result is insured and guaranteed in proper way by the nations whose people receive them. The nations of Europe look to us for aid, but they lay no claim on us but the accumulation of the debts. Such action would be absurd until they make up their own balances and see where they stand. They have in some cases turned us to a man who saved a friend when he was attacked by a lion but then left him to be wounded in the street. They think we should now take definite action, but with the vagueness of the present in all the present mutterings they cannot and do not say what definite action may be."

CAUGHT BY "COP" IN AIR

Red Luck Rains Upon California Speeder
San Jose, Calif., Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Red luck literally rained on Donnie Biffore yesterday when a "John Doe" summons charging him with speeding fell in front of his automobile as he was driving on a highway near here. Looking up, he saw an airplane circling about. It developed that Robert Byers, traffic officer, was "taking the air" with an aviator friend when he saw Biffore speeding. Pulling a summons from his pocket, Byers had the airplane swoop down and dropped the paper in front of the automobile. Biffore stopped and hid it up.

EMERSON CLUB ENTERTAINS

Song and Story Made Up Interesting Program for Guests
In observation of "guest day," members of the Emerson Club entertained their friends at tea yesterday at the Plastic Club, 247 South Canaan street.

A Story Entitled "Silly Ass," by

Edman read Mrs. Jesse H. Holmes, and was followed by a comedy program featuring Miss Almeda Lehman, soloist, and Dorothy Goodwin, pianist, by Mrs. Arthur Sellers. Mrs. Robert L. Coates was hostess.

\$100,000 Fire in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Several families were driven from their homes today when fire destroyed a four-story building here. The burning buildings were damaged. The loss was estimated at \$100,000.

After-Dinner Tricks

JERK NAPKIN FROM UNDER GLASS
A tumbler is set on a napkin, which is spread on the table. The performer states that he can remove the napkin without disturbing the tumbler. The trick is done very neatly, and it is a difficult feat of jugglery. The edge of the napkin is given a swift jerk. It will be swept right under the tumbler without disturbing the latter in the least. With a little practice, a deceiver can bring instead of the tumbler, the deceiver being placed upside down upon the

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HERE AND THERE for HOME NEEDS



Just a few more days and Christmas, the day that closes the last chapter of another year, when in our hearts is the true spirit of the season, peace on earth and good will toward all mankind. Gift shopping finished, and thought turns to preparation for feasting and the ever-growing table of delicacies and over indulgence this day permits.

Custom and even Merrie Eng-

Demanda land sends a leg-plum pudding, fruit cake or mince pie for Christmas day serving, also had luck and frightful wool follow us throughout the year! So this day we use the appropriate Scotch imported food, Cox Gelatine for delicious salad or the extra sweet, but for the courageous who would devote to a simpler and lighter pudding, I still suggest the helpful cook book sent upon request by Cox Gelatine Co., 546 Greenleaf St., New York, or your food shop.

Christmas

It is permissible to Fruit Cakes, really delectable in a fruit cake. Pritheor's Special Xmas Fruit cake was made for you a year ago—twelve months maturing—browned perfectly, a cinnamon-colored cake, richly filled with all the vultures, fruits and, for a fruit cake, light in digestion. As a "last-minute" gift this cake suggests itself, coming in an artistic dull blue and old gold metal box and for the clever woman planning the decorative table, snow lining and the use of holly and berries to carry out the Xmas spirit, this cake lends itself admirably. All food shops.

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of Italy—health-building water containing phosphorus and iron to be taken at this period.

Menu Christmas Dinner

- Consomme Celery with Cherries Sautéed Nuts
Roast Goose Potato Stuffing Currant Jelly—Mrs. Harting's
Candied Sweet Potatoes Cauliflower
Stuffed Tomato Salad—Cox Gelatine
Serve with Mrs. Harting's Mayonnaise
Special Xmas Fruit Cakes Freshly
Frozen Plum Pudding—Cox Gelatine
Ginger Ale—Hires' Household Extract Coffee Bon Bons

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Wear fur scarfs and muffers for the tiny girl just out of babyhood—larger but equally pretty fur sets for children up to twelve years old. No doubt about their being liked by any lucky new owner. All the furs are truly named and carefully made to give real service.

Men's Capeskin Gloves Specially Priced \$2

Exceptionally soft, beautifully finished capeskin gloves just unpacked. Kinds one would expect to be at least a third higher in price because of their fine appearance. Outseam sewn and with two-tone embroidered backs. Tan and brown in regular sizes, as well as "cadet" sizes for men who need short fingered gloves. Boxed upon request.

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3-Piece Buffet Sets, \$2.25

Pure linen sets, including a large oval and two smaller round centerpieces. Finished with nicely done blue-edged scalloping.

24-Inch Madeira Linen Centerpieces, \$2.50

Pure linen and hand embroidered in elaborate solid and eyelet patterns, hand scalloped. 18-inch size is \$2.

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One and Two Skin Animal Scarfs, \$5 to \$60

Opossum scarfs, \$5
Squirrel scarfs, \$12.50
Fitch scarfs, \$18.50
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Japanese marten scarfs, \$25
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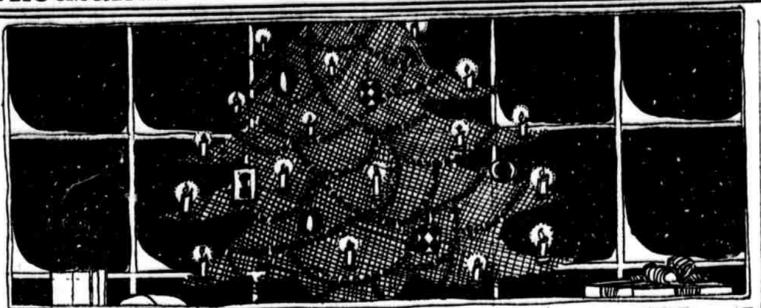
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Sale of Men's Clocked Part-Wool Half Hose, 35c Pair; 3 Pair for \$1

Surprisingly good-looking half hose for this unusually low price! They are seconds, of course, but very good ones, and quite the nicest half hose we've seen at this price. Firsts of the same quality would sell for at least double.

Women's Mercerized Cotton Stockings 35c Pair; 3 Pair for \$1

Women find these firmly woven mercerized cotton stockings decidedly practical for general everyday wear. They have specially shaped backs to insure a comfortably trim fit, and the tiny flaws that make them seconds have been carefully mended. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10 in black or brown.

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Luggage and Hand Bags for Women

- Fabric overnight cases, \$3.60 to \$6.
- Leather overnight cases, \$9.50 to \$35.
- Leather traveling bags, \$9.50 to \$15.
- Leather purses, 25c to \$1.50.
- Leather hand bags, \$1 to \$10.
- Leather vanity boxes, \$5 to \$8.
- Silver hand bags, \$3 to \$8.
- Silk hand bags, \$3 and \$5.

Jewelry Novelties for Men

- Cuff links, 35c to \$2.
- Watch chains, \$1 to \$4.
- Penknives, \$1 to \$2.50.
- Belt buckles, \$1.25.

Jewelry Novelties for Women

- Necklaces, 50c to \$10.
- Bar pins, 50c to \$5.
- Bracelets, 50c to \$3.50.
- Powder boxes, \$1.50 to \$3.
- Mounded combs, \$1 to \$5.
- Cordeliers, \$1 to \$5.

Men's Gifts

Why, yes, of course, Dad is a bit difficult to please. He's a man and he wants a man's gifts. That's the reason why Wanamaker's Down Stairs Store for Men, on the Gallery, is such a fine place to get the things he really wants. For everything in this moderately priced men's store is carefully selected by expert Wanamaker men who know what Philadelphia men want.

The shirts are plenty big and well made—not skimpy.

The ties are rich looking weaves and right colors and patterns for any man's tastes. The wool scarfs are the correct widths and lengths and shades.

The bathrobes are big, warm, luxurious looking lounging affairs that any man will like to see on his gift pile.

Fresh neckties specially priced 35c, 50c, 65c, \$1. Neglige shirts specialized at \$1.50 to \$4.

Wool mufflers specialized at \$1, \$1.50, \$2.

New bath robes specialized at \$5 to \$10. Raincoats specialized at \$5 to \$12.

Leather belts, 50c to \$1. Suspender and garter sets, \$1 and \$1.50.

(Men's Down Stairs Store on the Gallery, Market, just inside the subway door.)

New Rugs

Many Husbands and Wives Combine Forces to Give the House a New Rug at Christmas

Standard quality rugs here in room sizes are in carefully chosen patterns and well-considered colorings. They will give good long service and the prices are pleasantly moderate.

Reverable Wool Chenille Rugs

6x9 ft. rugs, \$20.
9x12 ft. rugs, \$37.50.

Seamless Velvet Rugs